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Addendum

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1996-1997

Section 14. International drug control

1. At its 16th meeting, on 26 May, the Committee for Programme and Coordination considered section 14, International drug control, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997.

Discussion

2. Several delegations expressed their support for the programme of activities under the section.

3. Some delegations considered that within the overall level of resources proposed for the section, increased resources should have been allocated to subprogrammes 3, 6 and 7, in view of their importance for the control of drug abuse. They also questioned the need for the resources for consultants.

4. Some delegations stressed that it was necessary to introduce more balance between the resources allocated to field activities and to administrative activities.

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5. Some delegations emphasized the importance for the developing countries of easy access to the information available in the United Nations Drug Control Programme, in order for them to strengthen their capacity to control drug abuse and traffic in narcotics. Other delegations questioned the absence of resources from the regular budget for subprogramme 4, technical cooperation, and expressed concern that the foreseen activities would not be properly endorsed during the biennium under this subprogramme.

Conclusions and recommendations

6. The Committee recommended that the General Assembly approve the programme narrative of section 14, International drug control, of the proposed programme budget for the 1996-1997 biennium.